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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE 1-52-80

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL STAFF DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS

SUBJECT: TITLE XX TRAINING FUNDS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

REFERENCE:

The Department of Social Services is inviting eligible educational institutions to submit proposals for training county welfare department social services staff under Title XX of the Social Security Act during the 1980-81 fiscal year.

The social services programs carried out by the county welfare departments under this act are critical to the well being of many Californians. It is my belief that by successfully meeting the training needs of social work staff, we will be taking significant steps toward improving the quality of the services we provide. Through this solicitation, it is the department's goal to provide all county welfare departments with access to university resources which can effectively assist you in meeting Title XX training needs.

The department is soliciting proposals in a way that is similar to the process used last year. I would like to emphasize two aspects of the process. First, the process is designed to provide the framework for universities and county welfare departments to cooperatively develop training programs. You will note the process requires consultation with county welfare departments and your approval of any programs which involve your staff. Secondly, the process of making university resources available to you is designed to fit into current systems of providing staff development and reinforces the role of the local staff development officer in needs assessment, program planning, and program evaluation.

As many of you know, this program is currently in suspension as a result of the limitation on federal funding during the current fiscal year. The department believes that legislation presently being considered will provide adequate funding for the 1980-81 fiscal year.

A copy of the RFP is being sent to county welfare directors under separate cover.

Those desiring an informational copy of the solicitation may receive one by calling Bruce Kennedy at (916) 445-7835.

I am personally excited by this program and its potential for improving our organizations and the quality of our service. If you have any further questions, please call Al Colon at (916) 322-0181.

Sincerely,

MARION J. WOODS

Director

cc: CWDA